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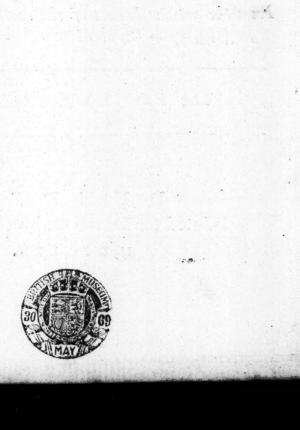
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From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard fongs, glory to the righteous. Isaiah xxiv. 16.

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INTRODUCTION.

IT is no thing incredible
I'm called to believe,
That God should raise the dead, whose pow'r
Hath made us be and live.

Tis not so hard for me to know How God should us restore From death, as, else, to see how sin And death came in before.

'Tis easier to credit this,

Than hope, if sin remain

Unpurged; or for pardon look,

If death for ever reign.

When I furvey the evidence
That ferves the fact to fhew,
That Jesus was rais'd from the dead,
I see it fair and true.

PART I. SECT. I.

THE witnesses were not deceiv'd, By fancy or by fraud; They mov'd and held by ev'ry doubt, Till glaring truth forbade.

For forty days, from time to time, He unto them appear'd,

Who knew him best before his death: They felt, they faw, and heard.

With jealous eyes and ears they all In company him try'd;

Oft with him ate and drank, and thus Were fully fatisfy'd.

When by the scriptures he their minds Of this mistake reliev'd,

That Christ should be an earthly prince, They faw, and they believ'd.

Suppose his friends, who mourn'd his death,
Too fond, too easy all,

No thought like this can touch the cafe Of perfecuting Saul:

Whose honour, conscience, ev'ry thing That's dearest to mankind,

Fix'd him in mortal spite 'gainst all Who to the faith inclin'd.



SECT. II.

OR did they cunningly devise
A fable to deceive
Mankind, so credulous, what sooths
Their passions to believe.

This talk had been as hard for them,
As from the guards to fteal
The body, or for fleeping guards
To fee what then befel.

They were not fit for fuch a talk,

Too many, and too rude,

To manage fuch a plot before

The prying multitude

Of Jews and Gentiles, both combin'd,
As their own int'rest led,
To manifest, if possible,
That Jesus still was dead.

Nor can I think what gain or prize They in the world propos'd; For in their schemes impostors have Their int'rests fast inclos'd.

In face of shame, of pain, of death, They boldly testify'd; All hope, but of eternal life They chearfully deny'd.

No pride of knowledge could be fed By telling such a tale; Religious honour there confin'd Was to the Jewish zeal.

Why then did Paul, the zealous scribe, Forsake the strictest sect,
And leave the learn'd, to follow men
Held base in each respect?

SECT. III.

How came they by such liberty

And boldness all at once?

Why did the pow'r appear that rais'd Jesus, as he foresaid?

As they believ'd his word, so was

The promis'd pow'r display'd,

In mighty figns and wonders done
Before the eyes of all;
And that fame pow'r they witness'd of,
Was ready at their call.

Why did the pow'r of God, in figns, Call on the world to hear These men bear witness of that fact, If false it could appear?

Did God to rogues or madmen lend His wonder-working pow'r? Was ever cheat, or raving tale, So own'd of God before?

SECT. IV.

HOW came the fishers' testimony
T' explain the prophecies,
Far better than the doctrine taught
By scribes and Pharisees?

No other thing they testify'd

But what had been foretold.
In Ifr'el's law, its mysteries

Their witness did unfold.

The Rabbies' fense of their own law Unworthy was of God;
The Galileans clear'd the book,
And all divine it show'd.

The scope of all the prophets forth In their report they bring, Concerning Jefus' fufferings, And glory following.

Their story of his life and death
Draws that Messiah true;
And so divine a character
Man's wisdom never drew.

SECT. V.

And ev'ry property

Of Godhead shew itself so bright

In a contrived lie!

Forgiving mercy, grace, and love,
In Jefus fully fhine;
No lefs God's judgment 'gainft all fin,
And fov'reingty divine.

His truth, his wisdom, are display'd
With his almighty pow'r
No fact e'er was, or word, that shew d
So much of God before.

This fact demands, with awful pow'r,
My faith, yea faith divine,
As it declares to me, O God!
The glory that is thine.

As I believe I fee thee near;
The fight quells all my pride,
No worldly luft can fhelter here:
Nor in thy fight abide.

Thus the apostles witnessed

The very Word of God;

Their testimony bare his name

Thro' all the world abroad.

SECT. VI.

Their testimony was wrote down
For future ages then,
Tradition's frauds all to prevent
By their well-guided pen,

In the New Test'ment; where I find The monstrous things foretold, That worldly men have built on it, And how they would it mold,

To ferve their int'rests in this life,

Their honour, wealth, and ease;

A worldly kingdom from the cross

Of Jesus Christ to raise!

The apostles writings, in the hands Of fuch ungodly men, For many ages hidden lay, And kept from vulgar ken.

Yet is was never in their power

That scripture to destroy:

But still it stands; and nothing can

Their kingdom more annoy.

God's marv'llous providence o'er it Preserv'd it thus entire, And in the sev'ral languages Made it again appear;

To testify 'gainst all the ways

The clergy ever took

To blind the world, and raise themselves;

Their doom stands in their book.

Ev'n as th' Old Testament (from whence New-Test'ment scripture shews The truth of what it testisses) Is facred held by Jews;

These spiteful enemies of Christ,
Who stupidly maintain
The credit of the book that shews
Christ dy'd, and rose again;

That race so long without a place,
And nation yet not past,
A standing sign and witness is,
That Christ's words ay shall laste:

So in the Roman kingdom broke
The clergy's strange empire
(Which to consume, God's providence,
And word, do now conspire)

Most evidently hath fulfill'd

The scriptures, Old and New,
That speak so much of Antichrist;

And shews the whole is true.

They from the clergy's ways who take Occasion to blaspheme The way of truth, and scoffers are, Under the Christian name;

These walking after their own lusts, God's works and patience still Construe against his word; but thus The scripture they sulfil.

PART II.

Thus ev'ry thing conspires to shew,
That Jesus is alive:
From this his whole religion doth
A certainty derive.

SECT. I.

HIS refurrection him declares
The just and holy One,
Who dy'd a facrifice for sin
Since he himself knew none.

And from the guilt of all the fins Charg'd on him when he dy'd, He was discharg,d, by law fulfill'd, And justice satisfy'd.

The divine law made life his right,
Who should perform these things;
And Jesus did them: so his work
From death again him brings,

To live as th' end of Moses' law,

For righteousness to all

Who shall on him believe, to save

All on his name who call.

God's wrath, as darknefs, fill'd his foul,
While he a curfe was made
For us; but now the Father's face
Makes him exceeding glad.

This just deliverance from death,
And divine favour due
To Christ's complete obedience,
Is theirs who hold it true.

SECT. II.

A S Jesus lives, the Jews blasphem d,
His Godhead who deny'd:
His resurrection clear'd this point
In question when he dy'd;

And manifested him to be
That Shepherd great foretold,
And call'd The Lord God in the word,
That him foreshew'd of old.

That living One, who for his sheep
A mortal man became,
Had power to give his life for them,
And take again the same.

All divine worth shines bright in him, Who merited to rife From death, the wages of our fins, And reign above the skies.

The Father's majesty appear'd,
And all his glory shin'd,
When he commanded him to live,
And him his heir design'd.

The holy Spirit's divine power
Did then work mightily,
To raise the first born of the dead,
And him to glorify.

This worth intitles men to life;

By this command they live;

And this fame power enlivens all

Who thro' it do believe.

Thus three in one Jehovah made
The world; one did perfect
Each work, as th' other faid, and one
Confirm'd all with delight.

These three made man, who now restore
Him lost, and manifest
Their Godhead one: we in their name
Are both baptiz'd and blest.

Thus, in the first-born of the dead,
We find the only God,
In persons three to be ador'd,
By faith in Jesus' blood.

SECT. III.

JESUS both dy'd and rose to rule
The living and the dead:
The dead shall rise; he'll judge the world;
He's over all the head.

The judgment unto him pertains,
The law who magnify'd
By his divine obedience,
And for its honour dy'd.

His refurrection did declare
Him King of Ifrael,
That fon of David, David's lord,
As prophets did foretel.

His condemnation on this head Revers'd was when he rose, To sit on the right hand of God; And reign amidst his foes,

Till they at last shall all be made His footstool, and his own, With him, o'er all God's works reftor'd, Shall ay possess the throne,

His kingdom is not of this world,
Who rose to reign in heav'n;
His people suffer first with him,
Then heav'nly life is giv'n.

SECT. IV.

Through Christ's arising we repent
The fins for which he dy'd,
As pardon, just through's blood we crave
From mercy glorify'd.

His agony, when guilt transferr'd Upon him, prefs'd him fore, Turns into grief that curfed joy We had in fins before.

His crofs undid the strength of sin,
When he a curse was made:
From trespasses we live to God,
Through's rising from the dead;

Who is exalted as a Prince,
And Saviour, to give
Repentance and forgiveness free
To those he makes believe.

SECT. V.

From him we learn obedience
With patient fuffering,
Whose humble cries and tears from death
Salvation did bring.

When, though he were the Son, the things
He suffer'd made him know
That self-deny'd obedience,
From which our life doth flow.

His love constraineth us to live
Unto ourselves no more,
But t' him who dy'd for us, and rose
From death us to restore.

His law of love well fits the men
Their common life who owe
To his most loving life and death,
Whereby God's love they know.

As he hath kept his Father's laws, And in his love doth ftay; So his own love he'll manifest To such as him obey. SECT. VI.

IF we by faith be rais'd with him Thence faileth our desire To things on earth; with lively hope To heaven we aspire.

We have no standing city here, But seek for one to come: A worldly rest we do renounce, And heaven is our home.

Our portion is not in the things
Which worldly men inflame
With envy, while they strive for power,
For ease, for wealth, and fame.

But let us patiently expect
The rifing of the dead;
This is the hope of all the church
That owns Christ as its head.

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SONG I.

B LESS'D be the day, fair Charity,
When, with a SAVIOUR'S name,
On earth, with blooming grace adorn'd,
A heav'nly guest you came.

Born of no man, to none on earth

Thy heav'nly birth thou owes:

Sprung from thy God, in thy bright charms

His divine image glows.

True as the object to the glass,
With him you wake your fire;
Frown when he frowns, hate what he hates,
And what he loves, desire.

On ev'ry chosen human breatt,
You stamp, with work divine,
The form of God, and bid a heav'n
In ev'ry bosom shine.

The beggar basking in thy beams,
Forgets his miseries.

Harlah langua widows fing to the

Hark! lonely widows fing to thee,
And shouts from orphans rife.

Happy the man whose fervent breast Contains so fair a guest! He hath dispers'd, (his Maker cries) And lo, his fame shall laste.

Diffuse thy beams, and teach my heart
With genial warmth to glow:
For lo, without thy heav'nly aid,
In vain my numbers flow.

Could I with elocution speak,

Transcending human tongue;

And could I sing in strains more sweet

Than ever angel sung:

And did not Charity inspire,
And raise herself my voice,
My flowing verse were empty sound,
"My eloquence were noise."

Yea, had I faith to weary racks,
And pass unhurt thro' flame;
And did not Charity inspire,
My labours were in vain.

'Tis love that plumes the wings of Hope,
And bids her strength exert;
That brings our faith from found to things,
From fancy to the heart.

A time shall come, when constant Faith And patient Hope shall die; One lost in certainty of sight, "And one dissolv'd in joy."

But thou shalt laste, when these no more Shall warm the pilgrim's breast, Or open on his dying eyes His long-expected rest.

Thy unextinguish'd ray shall burn
Thro' death, unchang'd thy frame:
Thy lamp shall triumph o'er the grave
With uncorrupted slame.

The divine lover and his fpouse To rest thy lamp shall light, Profuse with heav'nly blis divine, And pregnant with delight.

SONG II.

Magnificent free Grace, arife,
Outshine the thoughts of shallow man;
Sov'reign, preventing, all surprize
To him that neither will'd nor ran;

Grand as the bosom whence thou flow'd, Kind as the heart that gave thee vent, Rich as the gift that God bestow'd, And lovely like the Christ he sent.

Did the imperial law of Death,

For one man's fin, his whole race doom,
And all that draw the human breath,

Tho' finning not like him, inhume!

Ev'n here the fov'reign fway of Graee
Shines with fuperior power to fave,
Than fin to damn, which doom'd the race
To one wide univerfal grave.

Sin reign'd to Death; but over Sin
And Death, with more imperial fway,
Grace spreads her more extensive reign,
And doth eternal life convey.

Grace, by a righteousness, doth reign,
Wrought in the bloody death of God,
Where Sin is spoil'd; so Grace doth reign
In all the worth of divine blood.

Since Sin first slew the human race,
An host of daily fins pursues
Man to a second death; but Grace
Steps sov'reign forward, and rescues.

Who counts the fand that bounds the fea, No, half his fins hath number'd o'er: And, ah! what millions yet! But see,
Grace hath ten thousand mercies more;

Transcending far Sin's direful throne,
By one offence that all accurst,
Divinely Grand as God's dear Son,
The second man excels the first.

Infinite Grace, how full of God
In ev'ry work of thine thou glows,
We see thy wounds, the divine blood,
Whence life to dying nations flows.

Life more abundant we possess
O second man! than Adam lost:
An earthly prospect crown'd his bliss,
We reigning heav'nly pleasures boast.

And as a God's obedience, free,
And divine blood, excel by far
Man's due, abstaining from one tree;
So great's the life thy children share.

We, bowing, fing thy death, fo strong
As all our fouls from death defends.
Shout, ye redeem'd; for here your fong
Begins, and never never ends.

SONG III.

Hall earth-born man with God contend,
To him his parts difplay;
Hold his dim-beaming reason up,
And rival his full day;

Form'd by his hand, why does a bowl Against the potter speak? Ask why for baser use design'd, Why fitted up to break?

Did God thy reason frame, to tax His attributes divine; Or was it to insure his wrath, And make damnation thine?

Do men prefumpt'ous rush on God, With guilt deform'd, and foul, Ask for that favour they deserve, And bid his thunder roll?

Speak not of worth; nor cloud his grace,
But let his mercy shine:
Mercy's a stranger to thy worth,
All sov'reign, all divine!

He wills, for why? because he wills,
To save the sinking soul:
Nor can the whole creation's pow'r
His sov'reign will controul.

Hail! fov'reign Grace, divinely bright,
Beneath whose ample wing,
The guilty myriads raise their voice,
Th' angelic myriads sing!

Sin's in the picture, but the shade,
To make thy features rise
In all the charms of God, and shew
Th' Almighty to our eyes.

When divine justice threat'ning flames,
With unauspicious ray,
Thou tak'st the sinner by the hand,
And wipe'st his tears away.

For thee a thousand songs await,
A thousand ages shine,
Start forth to view, and cry aloud,
Eternity is thine.

SONG IV.

PRaise ye Jehovah's love and grace To Adam's guilty wretched race; Sing of this love, the spring and rise Of all his counsels, great and wise.

For all his works, his creatures all, Their being and original Owe to this love; and there, again, They tend, as rivers to the main.

What else is evil but the shade, By wisdom in the picture laid, To make this grace arise, and shew Its brightest glory to our view?

Our God is love; his wrath, be fure, Is flaming love, that shines most pure; And stands oppos'd, as mid-day light To gloomy darkness of the night.

This goodness, as a deep abyss, All working outward, full of bliss, Was making for itself a vent Well suited to its vast extent;

By which it might with freedom flow, And all its fulness there bestow, Where it should have an endless rest. God's wisdom here prevents our quest.

What is capacious to receive
Unbounded love, if bounds it have?
Or where is found an object meet
For grace and mercy infinite?

Not all the things that could be made, A proper match among them had For boundless love, that goes not forth T' an object limited in worth.

Neither can all created things
Pass for its fruit; the gift it brings,
When the intention is to shew,
By giving, all that grace can do.

Nor yet could fin-forgiving grace, 'Mong all the creatures find a place, While all was good, no room could be For mercy's aid to mifery.

But Love, which is the only god, Had always being and abode, Whole in each one of loving Three, All blefs'd in Love's fociety.

One of these Three, with all his worth, To union near with men goes forth; So join'd to them, that, in his name, A right to all this love they claim.

But, first, they're doom'd for sin to we, That for them he might undergo Their curse, and so might fully prove Th' infinite jealousy of Love:

And at the same time manifest Mercy relieving the distrest; Mercy, all sov'reign, and all free, Saving from boundless misery.

He's unto them the fruit of love, The gift that can its greatness prove; And ev'ry gift that grace bestows Is divine, as from hence it flows.

And he's the object; it goes forth On them perfected in his worth; All built in him, one manfion meet, Where God's love ever dwells complete.

Let Wisdom, therefore, be his name, The spring of wisdom him proclaim; Call him the Word that can express God's goodness all, and fully bless.

Acknowledge him the only Son O' th' Father's love; in him alone The Spirit's fulness all can dwell, Who is our great Immanuel.

SONG V.

F Ools worship gods who hate not sin, Nor saving power have: Our God, the living and the true, Can both be just and fave.

The just God and the Saviour, is His character alone:

His throne is fix'd in righteoufness, And Grace reigns on the throne.

Man's life, which in God's favour lies, Is flung to death by fin:

The skill and pow'r which form that life, The deadly sting drive in.

That God who wounds, alone can heal The mortal wound he gave:

In Jesus, dead and rais'd, we see God's pow'r and skill to save.

Hast thou to buy the just God's grace?
Or know'st thou what to give?

First justice slew his only Son, Ere Grace could make us live.

Know, then, on no precarious ground Stand Grace and Life to men;

For Life now reigns in God's dear Son, For us by Justice slain.

This is the only true God; this Is life eternal, fure:

Then, little children, keep yourfelves From ev'ry idol pure.

SONG VI. PART I.

E Ternal love's the darling fong,
Well-pleafing to Jehovah's ear.
Attend, ye fav'd, ye pardon'd throng,
With all your grateful harps draw near.

'Tis yours to fing th' eternal date
Of love divine, and how it moves
To helpless man, with gladness great.
Sing loud, for God the fong approves.

Hail, Bethleh'm! hail! that ruddy morn,
Whose rays adorn the infant God,
Jehovah of a virgin born,
Who righteousness and life bestow'd.

For us falvation wide displays

Her ample all-refreshing wing;

Safe in the shade, that love we praise,

And all its peerless glories sing.

We fing the garden and the tree,

Red with the blood that cries for peace,

Heav'n echoes back, I'm pleas'd in thee;

And Wrath to Mercy now gives place,

To this dread object foars our joy, Where all the majesty, and worth, And love of God, without alloy, In brightest splendor ay shine forth.

We fing a note that high prevails,
Above the angels free from fin;
Who cannot taste the cure that heals
The deadly smart of wrath divine.

As food the hungry foul relieves,
As choice perfumes delight the fmell;
So Mercy from the crofs revives
Man finking in the jaws of hell.

The wonders of Christ's blood arise
Bright in the drooping wretch's view:
Astonish'd with the dear surprize,
His joyful transport who can shew?

PART II.

THY love, O Jefus! is a theme!
That never never old shall grow:
All ages of the church proclaim
How sweetly did its numbers flow.

Down from the birth of infant Time, Thro' Eve, Abra'am, and David's line, Thy love doth run in strain sublime; And running with new glories shine:

Till thou wast found a babe, O God!
When angels throng'd to join our lay;
Untill thy love, in streams of blood,
Did all its wealthy store display.

At thy ascent the spacious heav'n

All round re-echo'd with this theme,

When from the throne the word was giv'n,

"Let all the angels praise his name."

At thy return, eternal fame

From all the faints shall found to thee,
On banks of Eden's cheering stream,
Beneath the life-restoring tree.

PART III.

THY love makes us count all things loss,
To scorned poverty gives charms;
Makes martyrs bold ev'n on the cross,
And, singing triumph, reach thy arms.

When thy love glows upon the heart,
Difgrace forgets her shocking name,
Asslictions loss their deadly smart,
And Patience smiles amidst the slame;

Salvation founds from racks and stakes,
Hope blunts the sword's devouring edge;
Severest torture joy partakes,
Of heav'nly bliss the welcome pledge.

Broad heav'n and earth shall sing of thee, And their melodious numbers raise. We'll make thy name remember'd be, Th' eternal centre of all praise.

Sing all ye bright angelic pow'rs;
Ye fons of Mercy, praise your King;
The burden of the song is yours:
Let wide creation chorus sing.

And, O! to join that heav'nly strain, Admit poor us, who say no more, But, Jesus dy'd, and rose again; And all our toil for life is o'er.

SONG VII.

DEscend, fair Hope, (tho' heav'nly born,
Thou visit'st human race),
And let me in thy facred glass
Survey my Saviour's face.

Let fongs for ever crown that morn, When, new to life again, Immanuel role; and fent thee down, Full fraught with life to man.

Tho' man, in Eden, was of old
With heav'nly visits blest,
More happy they to dwell with whom
Descends this heav'nly guest.

For them a fairer *Eden* fhines,
And on their wond'ring eyes
The riches of a finiling God
In larger prospects rise.

Led by thy hand, celestial Hope,

How oft, at thy desire,

Has man encounter'd shame and want,

Nor shrunk to pass thro' fire?

See, gazing on the ample joys
That wait a happier day,
How the pale familh'd vifage fmiles,
And poverty looks gay.

O happy they whose dying eyes

By thy bless'd hands are feal'd!

In hope of life they sleep, and wake

To fee that hope fulfill'd.

Let others bound their joys, their life, In what's to earth confin'd: Take wings, ye faints, and foar with Hope To pleasures more refin'd;

Where Jesus waits to crown your flight
With transport in his face,
And where th' eternal arms unfold
To meet your dear embrace.

But what is Hope, and what is Faith,
But fainter stars of night,
To guide the pilgrim thro' the shade,
Till dawns the morning light?

O let that morning-star arise,
And usher in the day
With brighter beams; then paler light
And shadows sly away.

SONG VIII.

Where shall the guilty who has lost The divine favour by his sin, Find worth, that he can safely trust A righteousness to glory in?

How calm his guilty conscience fears?

What shall he work, what shall he feel?

He wearies heav'n with pray'rs and tears:

But, ah,! there's something lacking still.

Behold the crofs, the blood divine
Which there for fons of wrath was spilt;
Here's worth enough to glory in,
Enough to purge the foulest guilt.

When fond experiences are gone,
All frames and feelings blown to air,
The cross remains your boast alone;
For all your righteousness is there.

Is guilt your burden? from the cross Springs glorious liberty to you. Or would you worldly lusts oppose? The cross victorious stands to view.

Would ye like Jesus shine, when he In glory comes the second time? Mark well his aspect on the tree; Take up the cross and sollow him,

SONG IX.

M Elchizedek, immortal priest,
O'er peace and righteousness doth reign,
O Most High God, before thy face,
And glory fills the bless'd domain,

For now the strife is at an end,
'Twixt sinners, righteous God, and thee,

How thou shouldst make the guilty bless'd, Yet just and righteous herein be.

To end this strife, God interpos'd,
His dread and solemn oath: He swore,
To consecrate th' eternal Son
Of God a Priest for everemore.

With facrifice his hand was fill'd, In God's own presence to appear, With blood divine shed from himself, Most precious, and for ever dear.

No more a finful mortal prieft, With dying breath for fin atones; Nor ftands confessing his own guilt, Nor dies, succeeded by his sons.

No more the blood of bulls and goats Sprinkles the earthly holy place; No more in tinfel'd glory ftands A finful mortal begging grace.

SONG X.

To thee, O Jesus! is my pray'r,
Who mankind by thy death hast sav'd,
And to the holiest of all
A new and living way hast pav'd.

Refcue me from myfelf, O Lord;

Break Satan's pow'r within my foul;

And let not worldly lufts me rule,

But by thy Spirit them controul.

Tho' red as crimfon are my fins,

Thy blood can make them white as fnow:

If thou but fpeak'ft the word, then ftraight

My foul fhall vanquish'd see its foe.

Most precious Faith thou purchas'd hast, And Love that never fades away, And Hope that soars on swiftest wing, Breathing for everlasting day.

Teach me, thou meek and lowly One,

To learn of thee this world to fcorn,

Thy cross to make my only boast:

Humility let me adorn.

Let faith of things not feen as yet,
And fear of evils flow but fure,
And love of truth, and hope of blifs
Unmerited my foul fecure.

SONG XI.

THanks to that Love, which gave us God
To bleed to purge our fin,

Who in the worth of his own blood, The heav'ns hath enter'd in;

And to the holiest of all
Hath confecrate a way,
To enter thro' the rended vail,
And grateful worship pay.

Here ends all fearch, our God to please; We'll work for life no more:

This blood gives ev'ry conscience ease;
'Tis balm for ev'ry fore.

Bless'd be the day that we were taught By sov'reign Grace to stand

In righteoufness we have not wrought, Nor once touch'd with our hand.

Turn, ev'ry wounded confcience, here A bleeding God furvey:

God from the divine fufferer Hath turn'd his wrath away.

Here's access to the Father's face Thro' Jesus' wounds and blood:

At the blood-sprinkled throne of Grace Adore the living God.

SONG XII.

PRaise ye Jehovah, and the Lamb, Who dy'd and yet alive became; Who hath redeem'd us unto God, Out of the nations, by his blood:

And raised us from the dunghill, To shew his pow'r and sov'reign will, And set us up as priests on high, To offer praise eternally;

And made us reign as kings with God, To rule the nations with a rod; For he'll in glory come again, To give the faints the righteous reign,

On earth, where they have lien low, Under oppression of the foe, Sing forth the glory of his name, And his dominion ay proclaim.

SONG XIII. PARTI

OD's mercies we will ever fing
And tell the wonders of his grace:
Eternal love, we'll view thy fpring,
The marvels of that love rehearse.

For ever hallow'd be thy name, Fair Mercy, in the blood of God, Sweet to the foul that feels the pain Of guilt, th' intolerable load.

Sinners behold a breathless God;
For with you cry his foul is fled:
View him, by divine wrath pursu'd,
Till his last drop of blood was shed.

Extol that Grace, ye faints, which gave
The spotless, holy, and the just,
To devils rage and to a grave;
And mix'd with blood of God the dust.

His foul with dreadful anguish fill'd Unutterable torments felt; While his pure conscience, stain'd, defil'd, And guilty, made his heart to melt.

What wonder now, if, through thy love, Our conscience, purg'd from ev'ry stain, Partakes the peace of God, and proves In us that Christ dy'd not in vain?

O Jefus! now how mercy flows!
What blotting out of fin is here!
God to thy wounded confcience flows
No mercy, till 'tis fully clear

Of all our horrid guilt, made thine;
Untill the power of thy love,
Thro' blameless innocence divine,
And bloody death, that stain remove.

Mercy was far, dear Lord, from thee;
Thy God frown'd on thy parting foul;
Ev'n in thy latest agony,
His wrath into thy heart did roll.

O God! thy wrath o'erwhelm'd thy Son, And pierc'd that foul most dear to thee, That we to Mercy's seat might come, Crying, Be merciful to me!

PART II.

Sinners of ev'ry tribe, behold

The price of ev'ry kind of fin,
God's various wrath and manifold,
For various guilt met all in him.

What millions fins that death atones!
When God himself in blood expir'd,
A whole burnt-offering at once,
The whole of what our God requir'd.

Let hypocrites behold the man, Ev'n in the eye of God, fincere; The covetous behold him, than The fox have less, or birds of air.

Who hunt for honour and a name, See Christ's mock robe, and crown of thorn; Whom angels worship, fill'd with shame, A mock-king, in contempt and scorn.

Proud felf-conceited finner, see
The humble lowly spirit, and mild:
Malicious, stand condemn'd, when ye
See Jesus made a little child.

Lovers of pleasures, hear the cries And torments of his soul so great, Sorrows, amazements, agonies, In anguish dropping bloody fweat.

Backfliders, wonder at this grace, And blush to think how Jesus stood Unshaken, crying in your place, Why hast thou left me, O my God!

He shrunk not in that fatal hour,
When our accurs'd backslidings all
O'erwhelm'd his soul replete with love,
And fill'd his bitter cup with gall.

Mercy, the guilty finner's plea, In its Almighty broad extent, Sweet to our fouls for ever be The grace that gave that mercy vent.

Mercy's our portion to the end,

That mercy which the faints do claim;
Which, how we share, is all explain'd,

Jefus! when we repeat thy name.

SONG XIV.

When this great world was fram'd of God, And earth carv'd out for our abode; When all these orbs their course began, And in harmonious order ran;

When God had laid the corner-stone, And rested in the works he'd done, The morning-stars together sang, The heav'ns with tuneful echoes rang.

The fons of God a shout did raise, To see the fabric speak his praise; The pow'rs of sire, of light and air, Express'd his godhead ev'ry where,

But chiefly in the corner-stone, In man, his image brightest shone: A creature sit to take delight With him in all his works of might. But, ah! this harmony, ere long Stopt short.—Sin enter'd,—marr'd the song, It first infect'd the corner-head, Then quick through all the building spread.

No human skill or pow'rs avail
This freting leprofy to heal;
No creature's blood, no mortal priest,
Could purge away the noxious pest.

Dread ruin, louring from on high, With all her bolts of wrath, drew nigh, Till that bless'd day, decreed of heav'n, When from the dead to us was giv'n,

Our God, in human likeness, made More fit the divine works to head, Than any being could be found In all the wide creation round.

This glorious Immanuel
With wretched us vouchfaf'd to dwell,
Transferr'd our fretting leprofy,
And felt its worst malignity.

Shut out from God, and Ifrael's camp, His spirit felt a fearful damp: Fill'd with our plagues, a loathsome cup Was giv'n to him;—he drank it up. This draught, invenom'd with the curse, Soon left him breathless on the cross; The blood gush'd from his pierced side, And first himself it purify'd.

Two guiltless birds were captive led To paint this truth; the one was bled; One dipt in blood, to heav'n let loose: That blood restor'd th' unhallow'd house.

When Christ had sprinkled ev'ry stone, He, as head-corner, was laid on. Thus, of God's temple, ev'ry whit Speaks forth his praise in Christ complete.

The whole creation evermore Stands now more glorious than before, Knit by a corner-stone, through which No ill can e'er the building touch.

Ye morning-stars, renew your notes, Triumphing o'er all Satan's plots, In concert with the church of God, Who shew the worth of divine blood.

Sin's but a pause; put in your song, To make the following notes more strong. The Just, the Saviour, shines more bright Than in the fire, the air, the light.

SONG XV.

This is the day the first ripe sheaf Before the Lord was wav'd; And Christ, first-fruits of them that slept, Was from the dead receiv'd.

In name of all for whom he dy'd,

That after him they may
Rife when he comes, a harvest full

Of life that lasts for ay.

And, as the truth of the first-fruits,

The Spirit came, this day

Of that glad feast, a comforter

With us on earth to stay.

As th' earnest of th' inheritance:

Ev'n that same heav'nly rest,

Where Jesus ent'ring, hath from thence
Us with the first-fruits blest.

Then let us keep the day of rest;
Our works for us are done:
The seventh day Sabbath is no more;
The earthly rest is gone.

To th' heavenly rest let's follow him, Whose death has pav'd the way; And, with the whole creation, groan For that redemption-day.

SONG XVI.

THY worthiness is all our fong,
O Lamb of God! for thou wast slain;
And by thy blood bought'st us to God,
Out from each nation, tribe, and tongue;
To our God mad'st us kings and priests,
And we shall reign upon the earth.

Salvation to our God, who shines
In face of Jesus on the throne,
The only just and merciful:
Salvation to the worthy Lamb,
With loud voice, all the church ascribes;
Amen say angels round the throne.

To him who lov'd us, and hath wash'd Us from our fins in his own blood, (And he hath made us kings and priests, To his own Father and his God) The glory and dominion be To him eternally. Amen!

SONG XVII.

In all its parts complete;

Eternal Love! all thy defigns
Here view'd, at once do meet.

This shews the covenant of peace Firm seal'd and ratify'd.

Here opens all that store of grace By which we're justify'd.

Here God shines inexorable,
Spotles: his holy law
Here vindicate, more honour'd still
Than ever Eden saw.

Great God! did e'er thy justice shine
With more unfully'd flame,
As when the Son of God for sin
A bloody corse became?

When we this broken body fee,
And this fhed blood behold;
Though vile, O holy God! to thee
Approaching, we are bold.

Hence now, thy throne, firnam'd of grace,
No finner will affright:
Thy fatiate justice smileth now
Where all thy wrath did light.

For lo! th' all-worthy Son of God
His brethrens flesh put on;
And their whole guilt (horrible load!)
Accounted as his own.

Each fin adopt'd, fill'd his pure foul
With agonies of fhame,
To purge our fouls, most monstrous foul,
And clear them from all blame.

What anguish must the Father's wrath Give such a loving Son!
The blot of guilt was double death
To such a foe to sin.

Confcious of all his brethrens fins,
Before the righteous God
He groans: his fweat the garden stains
With crimfon show'rs of blood.

God faw our guilt collected meet
On Jesus in our name;
His fury burnt with fervent heat,
His jealoufy did flame.

At once, to shew his vengeance just,

He summon'd all his wrath;
Indignant glory rose; he curst

And frown'd the Lord to death.

This fpreads our table, fills our cup,
Salvation without bound!

The frown is past.—-What joy's laid up
A suff'ring God to crown?

Shall e'er the vilest sinner, clad In all that worth, great God! Be damn'd? or canst thou e'er forget The cry of Jesus' blood?

SONG XVIII.

SAY, Faith, what think'st thou of thy Lord;
Know'st thou that visage marr'd and torn?
My wounded God! Angels, adore
Your dread Creator crown'd with thorn.

Astonish'd with amazement, ye Beheld him in the garden bleed; Come, hear him, dying on the tree, 'Tis finish'd, cry, and bow the head.

Step nearer; view these ghastly wounds! See how his yerning bowels move! See how his breaking heart abounds With streaming pledges of his love!

Fair Lord! what are we, that we're lov'd
Till wrath pour on thee all its florms?

Thou grasp'd us fast in death unmov'd; Nor hell can tear us from thy arms.

Hark! ah! that mournful loud complaint!

To his forfaking God he cries!

His horrors shake the earth! lo rent

The vail! the sun in darkness dies.

Nature, with horror, fee thy God,
Who bade thee be, groan and expire!
Mourn, fun; at his almighty nod
Your beams shot first refulgent sire.

Aftonish'd earth with trembling shook:
Rocks dreadful bosoms burst and rend;
Gabriel, and ev'ry angel, stoop'd,
In holy silence wait the end.

Justice divine! for all we owe,

Tho' fums immense are multiply'd,

A broad discharge, blood-feal'd; we'll show:

'Tis finish'd Jesus said, and dy'd.

SONG XIX.

Tho' loads of guilt oppress my soul,
And make me to complain;
Tho' floods of sorrows on me roll,
And cause me cry for pain;

Tho' wretched and distress d I am, All darkness and despair; And tho' I see myself shut out. From life, and hell appear;

One ray of light, shot from the sun Of righteousness, can warm My frozen soul, restore the day, And all my fears disarm.

'Tis his to bring reviving warmth,
Where coldness fat before,
And usher in the day on those
Who mourn'd in darkness fore.

I then begin to lift my head,
And cast my eyes around,
With joy behold the glorious scenes
Which in the day abound.

I'm pleas'd, and happy, and lie down
To bask me in his rays:
And wish no intervening cloud
May hide him from my eyes.

SONG XX.

W Hile I my merit all explore,
To ease my conscience wounded fore;

That fruitless task, thou say'st, give o'er, And take up the cross, and follow me.

For in the finners place I ftood
A fpotless facrifice to God,
To purge the conscience by my blood;
Then take up the cross, and follow me.

The righteousness is fully wrought;
The ransom's paid, salvation bought:
Partake rest to thy soul for nought,
And take up the cross, and sollow me.

When guilt, with agonizing pain,
Thy conscience wounds, behold me slain;
Lo! I from death am brought again;
Then take up the cross, and follow me.

Fear not, o'er hell and death I reign;
Your griefs I bear, I feel your pain;
Because I live, you life obtain;
Then take up the cross, and follow me.

'Twas Jesus spoke; the thrilling sound A balsam was to ev'ry wound;
Thy voice' life-giving pow'r I sound;
I'll take up the cross, and sollow thee.

A flood of joy, till now unknown, O'erwhelm'd my heart, and fill'd my tongue; My foul dwelt on that melting fong, I'll take up the crofs, and follow thee.

What glory faw I now in him,
Who shed his blood to purge all sin;
Salvation swell'd my soul to brim!
I'll take up the cross, and sollow thee.

Now all my hope and treasure lies Where Jesus lives, above the skies; O let me ne'er apostatize, From bearing the cross, to follow thee.

Till with thy patient faints I fing, Grave! where's thy vict'ry? death! thy sling? Thou mak'st all conquerors to reign, Who take up the cross, and follow thee.

SONG XXI. PART I.

Ye flaves, ye kings of ev'ry tongue, Give ear; the theme concerns you all; The great falvation is my fong.

'Tis not for this or that realm,
'Tis no fuch mean contracted scheme,
Let ev'ry tongue adopt the Psalm;
The common safety is my theme;

The grand deliv'rance then display'd,
By God's dear Son, the Prince of peace,
When rising from the grave, he said
To his elev'n, with lips of grace:

All hail! my brethren, peace to you: That perfect bliss my Father hath, He gives to me, I give to you; For I have turn'd away his wrath.

Your works are finish'd by my hand; Your debt is paid, your sin forgiv'n; And, lo! I mount you sky, to stand Your ever-faithful friend in heav'n.

Ye fee I live, who once was flain:
Tell all the world the gladiome news.
That God is reconcil'd to men,
Barbarians, Greeks, as well as Jews.

In deferts, towns, to ev'ry kind,
O'er ev'ry mountain, ev'ry plain,
Tell my falvation's not confin'd
'To any rank or fort of men.

Speak boldly in my name to all:

My word with equal force prevails

On wife, on fools, on great, on fmall;

The mountains level, raife the vales.

Suspect not how the news will please
The sons of pride, who make their boast
Of wisdom, wealth, and worldly ease;
Nor think your labour will be lost.

Dream not in all th' apostate race
A well-disposed heart to find,
To welcome or improve my grace:
Hope nothing from the human mind.

The great reward of all my pain
Stands not on fuch precarious ground:
Thus not one foul could life obtain;
Thus all my pangs were fruitless found.

PART II.

HE that furveys the heart of man, Who testifies 'tis only ill, Would ne'er have form'd his saving plan, On ought depending on his will.

Yet God, in mercy, purpos'd hath, And God's falvation standeth sure, To bless all nations; and my death Hath made their blessedness secure.

All my redeem'd fure mercies boast: For so his will that sent me is, Of all I've giv'n let none be loft; But raise them to eternal bliss.

The glad report, my foul, embrace;
The blefs'd decree, my foul, adore;
Here only all thy comfort place,
When heart and flesh can aid no more.

Away with that redemption lame,

That with falvation is not crown'd;

I fcorn that narrow-bounded fcheme;

My foul abhors th' infipid found.

How vain that univerfal grace,
Which doth no certain blifs befrow;
Which leaves the univerfal race
Expos'd to univerfal wo!

The grace of God in Jesus shown, Most fure falvation brings along. Salvation to our God alone, Of ev'ry tribe shall be the song.

Is any heart fo black, fo foul,

Excluded here? 'Tis furely mine.

But who's that narrow-hearted foul

God's common fafety dares confine?

Who dares confine it unto them,
Who boast a will dispos'd t' embrace?
Who boast a mind of better frame
T' improve the influence of his grace?

Who can by merit God prevent?

Let him stand forth for recompence:
But, Lord, for ever ever grant

Preventing grace be my defence.

Be that redemption mine for ay,
Which from the dreadful curse doth free;
That, with the whole redeem'd I may
The praise of all ascribe to thee.

S O N G XXII.

HE that would enter into life, Must first himself deny, As lost in Adam, self-destroy'd, And justly doom'd to die.

No pray'rs nor tears can here avail,
No working out of merit,
No godly thoughts, nor warm defires,
Nor taftings of the Spirit.

God fays, In my beloved Son I fully am well pleas'd.

The finner hears, and answers him, Amen; my foul is eas'd.

Then love to God in Jesus Christ, Love to his faints, his words, Consirms and proves unfeigned faith, And joyful hope affords.

Thus, Lord, let us thy word believe:
Grant us the love of God;
And when our hearts and strength doth fail,
With thee be our abode.

S O N G XXIII.

Rom Jesse's humble stem shall shoot
A glorious branch; but first lopt off
It shall be from its native root,
Then for an ensign rais'd aloft.

Upon Mount Zion he shall sit;
His voice shall reach remotest lands,
At hearing, nations shall submit,
And, list'ning, wait his dear commands.

His lips drop wisdom; righteousness
And truth divine, begird his loins;
And with abundant peace he'll bless
The happy folk o'er whom he reigns.

No hurtful beafts shall then annoy;
All jarring feuds shall melt away:
The child shall with the viper toy;
The lambs with lions frisk and play.

Then he shall set the poor on high,
And part the righteous from the vile,
No gloomy storm shall rend the sky,
But an eternal day shall smile.

Thou, prince, shalt sing in that bless'd age, Jehovah, I'll thy praise make known: Thy word's fulfill'd; take up thy pledge, And claim thy being as thine own:

Because thy wrath against me burn'd, My folks fins fiercely to reprove; Because thy wrath away is turn'd, And thou hast me folac'd with love.

God my falvation is; behold,
And share with me, my ransom'd throng:
Beyond all fear, I'll now be bold,
Jehovah is my strength and song.

Here let your feasted eyes remain;
See! God is my falvation:
Now I'm refresh'd from all my pain,
To see his glory rais'd thereon.

His glorious perfections all, So wondroufly fumm'd up in love, Shall, to my foul, once ferv'd with gall, An ocean full of pleafure prove.

Ye meek ones, from this fount of blifs, That without measure in me dwells, Draw now falvation to your wish, As from so many living wells.

And ye shall sing in that glad day,
Praise ye Jehovah; let his name,
Who was, and is, and is for ay,
Be ever your delightful theme:

And make his works done mightily, Among all people to be known; And ever keep in memory, His name exalted is alone.

Jehovah fing, the man of war,
Whose right hand hath done valiantly,
Amazing deeds, excelling far
The wonders wrought at the Red sea:

And this in all the earth is known.

Rejoice with shouts, O Zion's bride;

For great is Israel's Holy One,

Within thy courts who doth reside.

SONG XXIV.

Let the faints all rejoice and triumph in theirking, To Jesus with shouting and melody sing: For sinners redemption his life's blood he gave, And the faithful true witness will never deceive.

His blood's all your boafting, his blood shed for you: With considence trust him; his words are all true; For he scal'd with his blood ev'ry promise he gave, And the saithful, &c.

He promis'd a crown, when he left you the cross, And he with a kingdom rewards all your loss: To glory he leads, while close to him you cleave, And the faithful, &c.

How glorious to follow the dear fuff'ring God? Thro' great tribulation, the path that he trod! His faithful redeem'd in that path follow'd have, And the faithful true witness did never deceive.

When he calls you afflictions and forrows to bear, He feels these afflictions, and he wipes ev'ry tear: Through fire and through water he never will leave, And the faithful true witness will never deceive.

He promis'd more grace, that you fall not away, And his blood is plighted for your life for ay; He lives wholly for you, what more can you crave; And the faithful, &c.

He promis'd most sure, he comes quickly again, And he waits to hear you echo back your Amen: Of that hope of glory he'll never bereave, And the faithful, &c.

That he'll change your vile body he caus'd you to Like his glorious body, he shall raise you up. (hope, All shining in glory, redeem'd from the grave; And the faithful true witness will never deceive.

SONG XXV.

Thou root of Jehudah's tribe,
Thou root of David, who's like thee!
To whom all creatures must ascribe
Of divine worth th' excellency:
O Lamb of God! who once wast slain,
But now appearst amidst the throne,
From death by thy blood brought again,
We sing thy worthiness alone:
Where others fail for want of worth,
In strength thy glory there shines forth.

Thou only worthy art to take
The book, and open all its feals,

Because thou slain wast; for thy sake
Are all the things that book reveals:
Thou hast redeem'd us by thy blood,
From ev'ry tribe and ev'ry tongue,
Nation and people, unto God,
As his own portion them among:
We're consecrated, by thy blood,
A royal priesthood to our God.

That book foretells a glorious reign
For us upon the earth with thee,
When we from death are brought again,
And nations all shall broken be:
Thou wilt fulfil whate'er it says,
Of suff'rings first, of glory then.
Each event the seal'd book displays,
And hastens thee to us again,
To make us reign on earth as kings
With thee, and ay possess all things.

S O N G XXVI.

A Wake, O Zion's daughter! rife;
Shake off thy dust; no more repine;
Let gladness sparkle in thine eyes,
In all thy fairest garments shine.

Behold thy King, expected long, In humble pomp at length appears; Amidst you praising infant-throng His meek majestic head he rears.

No fiery steed he rides; he sways
No tinsel rod of earthly reign:
A colt, ne'er us'd till now, conveys
To thee thy lowly Prince divine.

Here's no vain croud, no gaudy show:

Babes, taught of heav'n, resound his praise;
His paths the Galileans strow

With branches of triumphing peace.

With ardent zeal to crown the law, He enters grand! See there he is! His presence strikes a gen'ral awe; The wonder circles, Who is this?

He visits now his Father's house,
And shews himself the son and heir;
He frowns away all vile abuse,
Smiles on his babes who praise him there.

This first day of the week, he shews A grand prelude of joys to come, When he should rise, and wide disfuse The oil of joy his friends among.

The blind and lame by him reliev'd,
His faving light and strength proclaim;
His foes with shame and spite are griev'd,
To see his works, and hear his same.

Hosanna! thronging myriads shout, Jehovah brings salvation nigh: Hosanna! ev'ry babe cries out, Jehovah, send prosperity.

To him, who, in Jehovah's name, Draws nigh to fave, all praise belongs: Peace reigns in heav'n with ev'ry beam Of glory in the highest ones.

Salvation unto David's fon;
All bleffing unto Ifr'el's King:
His kingdom bleffed be alone,
And blefs'd the people of his reign.

To praise the just and saving King,
How bless'd to be a little child!
When he in glory comes to reign,
Then all his babes shall kings be stil'd.

In all the earth how worthy is,

JEHOVAH, our dear Lord, thy name!

From infant-lips thou perfect'st praise,

Thy strength, to put thy foes to shame.

S O N G XXVII.

SEE yonder cross! come, turn aside,
And this great sight behold:
The veh'ment slames of wrath divine
On Christ the man take hold.

This bush did burn 'midst fiercest flames;

Yet unconsum'd it stood:

The man elmichter worth suspine.

The man almighty wrath fustains; For why? the man was God.

To fhew the flame was dire;
But uncorrupted foon it rose;
His body quench'd the fire,

That hour, on all his church unite
With him, the flame did rush;
And not a branch nor twig was burnt,
For God was in the bush.

Tho' guilt, in all your fuff'rings, makes You brambles for the fire; Yet God, in midst of you, preserves From all that wrath entire.

Then follow Christ 'midst floods and flames; With him go dauntless through:

Nor floods, nor flames, repell'd the love He gracious bare to you.

Are ye like *Ifr'el*, well nigh crush'd With burdens, sins, and soes?

To clear your path, he'll part the deeps, And on your en'mies close.

Shrink not although the furnace burn With feven times heated flame; The Son of God will tend you there,

Who fuff'ring overcame.

He quickly comes, from all your pains To give you blefs'd repose:

And then, with pow'rful hand, he'll turn The flame upon your foes,

S O N G XXVIII.

When to my fight thou, God, appears, I'm fill'd with fudden fear,
Thy justice, with uplifted arm,
O'erwhelms me with despair.

The former figns of grace no more Relieve my troubled heart;

And past experiences of love Are torture to my smart.

What shall I do? my pray'rs and tears
Are impious in thy fight:

I am remov'd from thee as far As darkness from the light.

Is there no room for mercy left?

Is grace for ever gone?

I'll mind the years of thy right hand, And wonders thou hast done.

How to be one with fons of men,

Immanuel did not fcorn:

And how from Mary's virgin womb
The holy child was born.

I'll mind the greatness of the love Which in his breast did burn,

When all the wrath of God for fin Upon his foul did turn.

Oh! did the Father's dearest Son Go mourning to the grave?

And did he die for fin, that grace Might dving finners fave? See from the dead the Prince of life In glory bright appears! No further proof of love I'll feek; This quiets all my fears.

This stream of light within the cloud
Sure token is of grace:
Where wrath did frown, see mercy smiles
From lovely Jesus' face.

This fign of love my foul relieves;
'Tis ease from all my pain:
I will not blush to see thee, God,
Because the Lamb was slain.

SONG XXIX.

HOw fweet's the grace that doth appear,
In healing finners stray'd from God!
How oft that fight may we behold,
Where Jah himself makes his abode!
His tender mercies, like himself,
Our utmost stretch of thought surpass;
Where we expected wrath and frowns,
There he discovereth love and grace,
Which shines to us in Jesus' face.

Thus when the youngest son with shame Seeks ways to plead for's father's grace,

His father eyes him yet afar,

And meets him with a fond embrace:

His mouth he stops with kindest kiss,

With finest robe doth him invest;

His hunger by rich food doth cease,

And mirth succeeds, to glad the feast.

Thus grace to rebels is exprest.

SONG XXX.

THE death of God, who death o'ercame,
Doth fire our love, our lusts destroy;
The praises of the worthy Lamb
Our tongues shall ever speak with joy:
His blessed merit now doth shine!
And we're posses'd of worth divine.

Tho' floods of guilt our fouls invade,
A wounded confcience pain us fore,
We'll fay, the ranfom's fully paid,
And justice can demand no more:
Justice and mercy are unite,
And our falvation is complete.

In midst of deepest grief we'll sing,
For boundless mercy swells the song;
We'll soar aloft on swiftest wing,
And join the heav'nly choir among:

This bleffed harmony alone Holds heav'n and earth in union.

S O N G XXXI.

When Jesus shall the second time
Appear, to judge the man of sin,
And to reward his faithful saints,
Whose joyful reign shall then begin,

The feparation of the feeds
Shall then most evident appear:
No hypocrite shall then lie hid:
Take heed, for now the time draws near.

As from a rock's stupenduous height,
The eagle doth her prey descry;
She with her young sucks up the blood,
And where the slain are, there is she:

So when the Lamb, who once was flain, And by his blood bought us to God, Shall in his glory come again, The faints shall flock to his abode.

They then who feasted here below, On his broke body and shed blood, Shall ever fill'd be with his love, And fully see that God is good. Let us then look and long for him;
Say with the church, Come quickly, Lord;
To fuch the righteous crown he'll give,
As promis'd in his faithful word.

SONG XXXII.

THE divine lover, and his fpouse,
Their marriage is a losty theme,
Meet only for the heav'nly muse,
And them sir'd with the divine slame.

They only can the beauties see

That are display'd in him who chuse,
Tho' he was God, a man to be,
That he might seek and find his spouse.

For him, who, in the form of God, Had been before the world began, And then in flesh made his abode, And shew'd himself in form of man,

No match was found; but he to have, By purchase dear his wish'd-for bride, His life for her most freely gave, And she came of his pierced side.

Thus Eve from fleeping Adam's fide,
A comely form was brought to him:

He waking, his own likeness spy'd; And, knowing well from whence she came,

Bone of my bone, flesh of my flesh, This is, said he, and let her name, Deriv'd from mine, serve to express Her rise from me another same.

Therefore a man his parents dear Shall leave, and unto one remain, Join'd as his wife, in bond most near: One flesh they are, and no more twain.

A better fource Christ, in his death Of being to his mate doth prove; And rising from the dead, he hath Found the fair object of his love.

Where fin and death's deformity
Had been, behold a living form
His image shews in purity,
And beauty, such as could him charm.

From his great father he came forth,
And left his mother-church of Jews,
To join the church that has her worth
From him, and cleave to her his spouse.

The name he gave her * can declare,

That she's of him, and with him one
In sp'rit divine, ev'n as they share
In slesh and blood; such nearness none.

A firmer band than mingled clay;
A divine tie knits the bless'd pair,
In union that shall laste for ay.
My foul, in this have thou thy share.

S O N G XXXIII.

Jefus! the glory, the wonder, and love,
Of angels and glorify'd spirits above,
And saints, who behold thee not, yet dearly love,
Rejoicing in hope of thy glory:
Thou only and wholly art lovely and sair,
Who robb'st not JEHOVAH, with him to compare,
JEHOVAH glows in his own image; shines there
In visible bodily glory.

Worthiness dwells in thee;
Divine excellency,
Beauty and majesty,
Glory environs thee;

Pow'r, honour, dominion, and life, rest on thee, O thou chiefest among the ten thousands.

Where ever we view thee, new glories arise: The man that's God's fellow, who rides on the skies,

^{*} Christian.

Made flesh, dwelt among us, brought God near our eyes,
And in grace and truth shew'd all his glory.
Thou spoke to existence the heavens and their hosts,
Earth and all its fulness, oceans and their coasts;
Time hangs on thy word, and eternity boasts
To crown and adorn thee with glory.

Worthiness, &c.

But how lovely art thou, when, with infant-cries And childhood, thou meet'st us in that dear disguise! Thy loves past all knowledge, with raptures surprise,

And ravish our hearts with thy glory.
In thy blessed body on the cursed tree,
Thou bar'st all our sins, while thy God frown'd on thee,
Expiring in blood in our stead; and lo, we

Exult in thy merit and glory. Worthiness, &c.

Thy blood all divine, from the grave back again, Brought thee, King of glory; O thou Lamb that was flain? First-born of the dead, crown'd with honour supreme,

Thy throne is establish'd in glory.

There reign in thy glory, O thou great ador'd,
Till thy foes, crush'd under thy feet, be no more;
Thy throne shall triumph over all things restor'd,
And eternity blaze with thy glory

And eternity blaze with thy glory.

Worthiness, &c.

S O N G XXXIV.

SAY, word of truth, why fin and death, Among God's works were found? Why, by a law to finners giv'n, Was fin made to abound?

Why were the highly-favour'd Jews Abandon'd to fulfill

The things foretold of Christ, and dare The prince of life to kill?

It was that mercy might triumph,
Where sin before did reign;
That, in the darkest wickedness,
The strength of grace might shine.

Why was that nation broken off?
The Gentiles graffed in?

And they again, like Jews, cast off By following their sin?

It was to stain the pride of all;

Pour shame on ev'ry face;

That all th' elected remnant might

Indebted stand to grace.

And that they all might be built up,

Thro' faith, an house for God,

And grace might shine more bright to them,

When wrath pursues the proud.

O great the depth! O rich the flore Of knowledge all divine! Most perfect wisdom, thro' the whole, Surprizingly doth shine!

Who can his judgments deep fearch out?

His awful steps pursue?

Who was to pry into his thoughts, When first his plan he drew?

Who was upon his counsels, when His great designs were laid? Who hath oblig'd him with a gift? It sure shall be repaid.

For of him, thro' him, all things are,
And unto him again;
To him all glory be afcrib'd,
For evermore. Amen.

SONG XXXV. PSALM XCII.

TO make confession unto Jehovah,
It is a good and comely thing;
And thy great name, O thou most High!
To celebrate in song of praise;
Thy tender mercy to proclaim,
When shines the morning light;
With solemn sound, upon ten string'd, on psaltery
On the harp, thy faithfulness in the nights,

For thou, Jehovah! hast made me glad. In that wondrous work of thine:
In the operation of thy hands,
I will triumph exceedingly.
Thy works, Jehovah! grandly done,
Thy counsels most profound,
A stupid man perceives not, and the soolish.
This grand matter will not understand.

When the impious flourish as the herb,
And evil doers all spring up,
It is to be destroyed for ay.
But thou, Jehovah! art ever high.
For lo! Jehovah, thy foes destroyed,
All evil doers broke;
But thou wilt raise my horn as the unicorn,
And with green oil I all anointed am.

Mine eye saw on my foes, my ears shall hear On wicked that against me rise:
The just shall flourish as the palm,
Grow cedar-like in Lebanon.
In Jehovah's house they planted shall
Flourish in our God's courts;
Even in old age, they yet shall fruitful be;
They shall be fat, and ever green appear;
That upright is Jehovah to declare,
My rock, and no unrighteousness in him.

SONG XXXVI. PSALM CXXXIII.

BEhold, how good and how pleafant, in one Are brethren that together dwell! As the good oil upon the head, That was descending on the beard, The beard of Aaron, falling down Upon his garments mouth:

As Hermon's dew descends on Zion's mountains, Where bids Jehovah bless eternal lives.

S O N G XXXVII.

SEE Mercy, Mercy, from on high,
Descends to rebels doom'd to die;
'Tis mercy free, that knows no bound:
How grand, how gladsome is the sound!

'Tis grace by righteousness that reigns, Where every Godlike beauty shines; So leaves no doubt from whence it came, Then grace divine we dare it name.

First mercy favour'd mortal view;
When God's own son an infant grew;
And in its full perfection shone,
When dying Jesus cry'd, 'Tis done!

It triumph'd when from death he rose; And broke the pow'r of all our soes: And since he took his seat on high, Now mercy reigns eternally.

Grace down in showers of mercy fell;
Refreshing thousands ripe for hell;
Who lately fill'd with dev'lish wrath,
Had doom'd the Lord of heaven to death.

It courts not men of mighty name,
But visits those o'erwhelm'd with blame;
It makes the poorest wretch look gay;
And empty sends the rich away!

Let haughty mortals frown and fret:
Who fovereign boundless mercy hate;
Thro' all the mansions of the blest,
That mercy only is confest.

Untill we join the happy throng,

Let boundless mercy be our fong;

And may the mighty God confound

All those who dare its course to bound.

Amen, the holy prophets cry;
Amen, th' apostles loud reply;
Amen, thro' all the heavens go round;
Amen, let us on earth resound.

S O N G XXXVIII.

ISAIAH xlii. 1-4.

B Ehold, my Servant, whom I fend
Down from the pure realms of light;
My chosen One, my darling Son,
In whom is fix'd my foul's delight.

My Spirit's fulness ever dwells
On head of this anointed One;
By him my judgment and my truth
To lands remote shall be made known.

He shall not cry, nor lift his voice,
'Mong crouds to raise the loud alarm:
He'll shun all strife for kingly pow'r:
No earthly grandeur shall him charm.

The bruifed reed he shall not break,
His strength in weakness to display:
His lovely folk shall wear his yoke;
His gentle rod they will obey.

The fmoking flax can ne'er expire,

For he fustains the hidden flame;

The finking finner he relieves,

That trusts for life his precious Name.

Yea, many waters cannot quench
The fire that burns with feeble ray:
His kingdom's light that dimly shines,
Shall blaze like noon-tide of the day.

He judgment unto victory

Shall bring, to put his foes to shame:
His brethren then triumphantly

Shall fing the glories of his name.

Arise, O Lord, victorious come, In all thy Father's brightness shine; O come to save thy faints! and, Lord, Begin thine everlasting reign.

SONG XXXIX.

THE Love that thought on helpless man,
Does angels tongues employ:
The grace that stoop'd to Adam's race,
The heav'ns doth fill with joy.

This, from eternity, was hid
In divine Wisdom's breast;
The grand design of mighty Love
The church doth manifest.

When we furvey that stately dome, Where heav'nly beauties shine; In wonder loft, we must proclaim The architect divine.

The depth's as low as Jesus lay, When humbled to the death:

The height's above all heav'ns with him; All things are far beneath.

All in the heav'ns and on the earth

The breadth well comprehends;

To ev'ry nation, tribe, and tongue, With freedom it extends.

The length from Adam to time's end, Thro' every age doth reach;

The building shews the love of CHRIST, Which doth our ken outstretch.

Th' angelic throng with raptures view Salvation's structure rise:

By it God's wisdom manifold With wonder strikes our eyes.

From ev'ry tribe and tongue are made Materials for the frame;

Here ev'ry kind of finners join; In Christ they are the fame.

When the head-stone shall be brought forth Redemption-work to crown; The faints and angels then shall shout, Grace! Grace! in high renown.

SONG XL.

JEHOVAH the name is of our God alone;
Who was, is, and shall be, and change he knows none.
In purpose, and promise, and deed he's the same,
And where he's performing his word there's his name.

He was independent in purpose of grace, Before any being besides him had place; The source of all beings depending on none; I am, that I am, then he dares say alone.

He is independent in that word of grace, That makes a distinction among Adam's race, He will be for ever performing his word, And so shall his name be for ever ador'd.

In JESUS the purpose of grace was sure laid; In Jesus declared it is, and sull said; In Jesus the promise shall surely be done; God's name's in the slain Lamb, in midst of the throne.

He's Alph' and Omega, the first and the last; Divine grace, and truth all in Jesus stand fast; The works of creation all on him depend; In him their beginning they have and their end.

And that new creation the church, that's the crown Of all the divine works, him ever will own.

Its beginning, and ending, in him it stands sure, And leaning all on him, shall ever endure.

S O N G XLI. PSAL CXXXVII.

BY streams of rivers, broad and strong,
That strength and pleasure do afford
To Babel, there we fat among
The proudest en'mies of our Lord.

But when we Zion call'd to mind,
With Shiloh's streams that softly go,
No ease in Babel we could find,
And from our eyes sad tears did flow.

Our pleasant harps in grief of mind We hang'd upon the willows there: These instruments were ne'er design'd In Babel's consort to have share.

Our captive leaders, when they faw,
Said, why may ye not here take heart?
And fing to us beneath our law?
So in our mirth come take a part.

They made us howl, and yet forbade
Our groans, and mirth required thus,
Bring of the musick Zion had
Such part as may best take with us.

In decent uniformity
With ours, and no more from your mouth,
Complaints of fad calamity,
Nor antique fongs to us uncouth.

How shall Jehovah's holy song
Sound from our lips in th' aliens land?
And songs to Zion that belong
In Babel's consort be prophan'd?

Shall this fill Zion's place? shall we Take pleasure here and quite forget Our native land and thoughtless be Of Zion's former comely state?

Or shall we never drop a tear
Upon her rubbish and her dust?
Shall we for Babel's hope or fear
Quite our regard to her most just?

Jerusalem! if in this land,
I loss of thee the memory;
Then, for thy sake let my right hand
In play loss all dexterity.

Yea, unto my mouth's roof let cleave
My tongue, no more to move in fong;
When on my heart I no more have
The rights that unto thee belong.

And if I do not still take care

To set Jerusalem above

The head of all my joy, that there

Its joy and crown she still may prove.

As Zion rifes, fo high flow

My joy, but still beneath that crown,

And as she is depress'd, fall low,

And underneath be thou prest down.

Remember, in Jerus'lem's day,
His children, Lord, who did despise
His birth-right, and gave it away
For morsel that might him suffice.

These could not bear subjection
To Zion's laws and yoke most just;
That carnal generation,
Said, raze it, raze it, to the dust.

Daughter of Babel, painted whore, On many waters fet in state; Thou think'st not (for thou art secure) Of him that brings thy dreadful fate.

Blessings upon that righteous one,
The Lord's anointed Cyrus true;
Who, as thou unto us hast done,
Comes to reward thee quickly now.

Yea, bleffings on him; for he'll take
The younger harlots by thy fide,
And them in pieces, for our fake,
Dash shall the rock where we conside.

S O N. G XLII. P SAL. CX.

J Ehovah to my Lord hath faid, At my right hand fit thou and wait; Till I beneath thy feet have laid, Thy footftool, all that do thee hate.

From Zion forth Jehovah fends

The scepter of thy sov'reign pow'r;

As far as thy foes pow'r extends

In midst of them be governor.

Thy folk, as offerings of free will,
In that day of thy pow'rful call,
The heav'nly holy place shall fill;
Thy pow'r on them as dew shall fall.

The dew of thy nativity,

That from the womb upon thee lay,
Is all with thee fince thou rose high,
In morning of that mighty day.

Jehovah gave his folemn oath, And as his being it must stand; His word and oath, unshaken both, Unshaken faith, and hope command.

Thou art a priest for evermore, After the order of that Type, Melchize leck; none him before, Nor after, could his station keep.

The Lord at thy right hand shall kill Great kings, in that day of his ire; He'll judge the nations, and them sill With bodies heap'd in slaughter dire.

To Antichrist, head o'er much land, He then shall reach the deadly blow; That dreadful pow'r shall not withstand The much more dreadful overthrow.

He shall drink up his peoples part
Of that sierce torrent in his way;
And leave the rest, to fill the heart
Of all his foes with wrath for ay.

Therefore he shall lift up the head Above all things in glory great; To raise his people and down tread, In endless death, all that him hate.

CHRISTIAN SONGS.

SONG XLIII.

THERE's no name among men,
Nor angels to bright
As the name of Jefus;
The Fathers delight.

The joy of his children,
They life out this name,
And fweetly its praises
Soon learn to proclaim.

The wonder of angels,

Their choir found it high;

The terror of devils,

Far from it they fly.

And highly efteem'd,

As ointment forth poured,

Among the redeem'd.

The ferpent's feed hate it,
While yet it's their fear;
By their spite against it
It shines the more clear.

In all gospel churches ...
This name is ador'd,

As their shield and glory, With chearful accord;

And there it's declared

The help of distress'd,

The hope of the hopeless

And ease of oppress'd.

The church of the first born, With angels of light, Shall sound forth its praises In endless delight;

But fully unfolded
It could be by none
But Jesus amongst them,
Who knew it alone.

S O N G XLIV.

WHAT is our life in this vain world?
At best but as a taper
That shines away. We blaze a while,
And vanish like a vapour.

Vain are our cares, as vain our hopes,
And boastings of to-morrow:
We mind not that, through sin, we're born,
To trouble and to forrow,

The breath of life is still expos'd

To many thousand dangers;

And death is sure. The case know well,

Nor to the cure be strangers.

Your fouls shall live in hearing.
Your life is hid with me in God,
Reserv'd to my appearing.

Fear not, I am that living One,
Who unfting'd death by dying:
Take up your crofs, relieve the poor,
Me follow, felf-denying.

For see, I live for evermore,
From death's hand to receive you,
To reign in endless life with me:
My word shall ne'er deceive you.

Then, death, where is thy sting? O grave!
Where is thy mighty conquest?
Thy sting is sin; its strength the law:
The cross thy pow'r hath vanquish'd.

Our fouls to thee we do commend, Lord of the dead and living: In life and death we'll cleave to thee; None perish thee believing.

SONG XLV.

IDST wasting pains for many days,
I saw thee death's dark vale descend;
The great good Shepherd, kind always,
Thy heart from terror did defend.

Thy heart at breaking gleam'd delight,

Henceforth, thy fun shall ne'er go down;

The Lord's thy everlasting light,

Thy God thy never-fading crown.

O let that tender kindness still

Me from all threatning dangers free;
So my vain life, by God's good will,

An happy end, like thine, may see.

No more shall sin and death annoy, No fear suggest a secret groan; The Lord's thy everlasting joy, Thy mourning days for ever gone.

S O N G XLVI.

Rapt in the shades of death, no more That friendly face I see;
Empty, ah! empty every place,
Once so well fill'd by thee.

What made thy comely prefence dear,
My heart with forrow swells;
Yet what endear'd thee, most entire
With us for ever dwells.

The truth divine did live in thee;

That truth shall never die;

What breath'd sweet odour from thy lips,

Embalms thy memory.

He dwells in God who dwells in love;
Yet echoes round thy grave,
Blest they, who thee, eternal God!
Their habitation have.

There's room for us, we'll mourn in hope,
Lament with thankful voice;
Lo! quickly comes the Lord, to give
His church unfadden'd joys.

SONG XLVII.

A S streams, ambitious to be lost,

Push forward to the sea;

So runs thy narrow span of life,

To meet eternity.

The weary springs of life grown dull, Their painful task give o'er; Silence fits hov'ring on thy lip, And bids thee be no more.

Who would in life repose his bliss,
So subject to decay;
Ready with wings, at ev'ry step,
To start and sly away?

Say, faint, what raptures fwell'd your foul,
When on your closing eyes
Heav'n dawn'd, and boundless love and grace
Bade joys on joys arise?

How did thy bosom pant for death,
Thy Saviour to enjoy?
How oft's that name made pain to smile,
And sickness bloom with joy?

Jesus! thy name can smooth the face
Of death with sweetest song;
Thy love in gloomy silence forms
A chorus from the tomb.

Methinks I fee thy quiv'ring foul,

Just started from the clay,

Mount heav'n with wings, and Jesus' face,

His form, his wounds survey;

Amazing love o'erwhelms your foul, And, O my God! you cry: Thy Saviour smiles, and wipes the tear Just starting from your eye.

Nor need you blush before your God, Tho' stripp'd of ev'ry sense, With divine merit cloth'd, and safe Beside Omnipotence.

The naked foul beneath this worth Shall find new organs rife; By this new joys, in Jesus' form, Shall featt your ravish'd eyes.

Thy God, thy maker, on thee smiles With mercy's sweetest beams;

Say, can thy infant heart-contain Such new transporting scenes?

O lov'd of God! fuch rapt'rous thoughts
Transcend a mortal's theme:
Say, are such joys for man prepar'd,
Or is it all a dream?

How oft in racks, in fire, and death,

Have faithful christians sought

That bliss you now enjoy, nor seem'd

The prize too dearly bought?

Thy endless life depends no more On time, or fleeting years: No grief is blended with thy blifs; Thy joys admit no tears.

Nor need you grudge the years you've left, Or hopes of flatt'ring time: See future ages rife; and round

Eternity is thine.

No thought can add unto your blifs, No wish your joys prolong: Sickness no more, nor fev'rish pains, Shall interrupt your song.

O brethren! let this darling theme
From mouths like yours refound;
Nor thing the labour lott, t' have fung
A foul with Jefus join'd.

S O N G XLVIII.

A S billows roll to meet their fate,
And break upon the shore;
So rolls that billow, human life,
So breaks, and is no more.

Hush'd in the grave, life's busy dream
Disturbs no more thy breast:
There empty glitt'ring joys no more
Conspire to thwart thy rest,

Nor fin, nor future cares, invade
That land of long repose,
Where rest and mortals meet at last,
And are no longer foes.

Calm is the deep, and fn ooth the sea,
When hush'd from ev ry breeze;
So calm the mind, so smooth the soul,
When russling passions cease.

Stretch'd in the grave, our last retreat,
You view at distance there
The vain pursuits of busy man,
And smile at human care.

Bles'd be the grave whose earth contains
What's dear to Jesus' breast:
Let ev'ry soul whom Jesus warms
Pronounce the relics blest.

A time shall come, when life shall yet
Inform this mould'ring clay,
And these clos'd eyes shall yet awake,
And Jesus' form survey.

The dead to flatter, would be vain,
Or speak in praise of dust:
For that is all that's found of man,
Or human pride at last,

'Tis not my talk, with flatt'ring tongue, Thy virtues to commend:

The man whom never spot deform'd, Was never Jesus' friend.

Heav'n, in rewarding Jefus' worth,
Thy merits shall unfold.
Enough—for thee, that Jefus dy'd;
And so thy bell is toll'd.

SONG XLIX.

B Less'd in the mansions of thy God,
Thy tongue no more complains
Of distance from thy Saviour's arms,
Of sickness, or of pains.

Another theme employs that voice, A theme that pleases God; The divine excellence and worth, O Jesus! of thy blood.

For ever bless th' all-bounteous God,
Who sent his only Son
To work a righteousness divine
For sinners who had none.

'Tis this that smooths the paths of death, And calms the dying soul: Twas broadly viewing this that taught.
Thy lips in death to finile.

What the like flow'rs nipt in their bloom,
Was thy untimely fate?
'Tis what we once must undergo,
And waits us soon or late.

Ev'n he who fings thy praise, whose soul
Now melts in mournful lays,
From other men shall shortly want
That generous tear * he pays.

Yet never shall he grudge the change,
While that same purity,
And divine worth, can join his soul
To Jesus and to thee.

That tear * I pay. With thy last breath
In death I heard thee sing:
Short was thy song; but how sublime!
O death! where is thy sting?

SONG L.

A LL hail! to thee divinely bleft,
Among the heav'nly throng,
Partaking of thy Saviour's smiles,
And joining in the song.

All praise and thanks unto the Lamb, That bought us with his blood,

And without fault presented hath Before the throne of God.

A crown of life adorns your head; You dwell with endless joy:

Continual raptures fire your breaft, Blis that knows no alloy.

Life's idle dream you have flept out; Its cares are past away,

Which prey upon the mortal mind, Renewing ev'ry day.

You wak'd, and found yourself convey'd
To lands of lasting peace;

And the first object struck your eye Was the dear Saviour's face.

Prostrate you fell before the throne,
And, full of transport, cry'd,
These are the triumphs of thy grace,
Jesus! for thou hast dy'd.

SONG LI.

The reproach of Christ, his Church's glory.

HE victim's flesh without the camp

Was burnt, as stain'd with sin;

Whose blood was for atonement brought.

The holy place within.

So Christ, that by his blood he might His people sanctify,

Loaded with guilt, without the gate, Was led to groan and die.

Tho' his pure heart, when tempted much, Ne'er lodg'd an impious thought;

Yet fov'reign grace the fins of all.
His people on him brought.

The earthly church, tho' ill they meant,
Did yet conspire to shew,
By loading him with heinous crimes,

He was the victim true.

With crimes their own, not his, they did The Just One vilify;

With felons vile they led him forth, A felon's death to die.

Thus the reproaches of our crimes Against the Highest done,

Not whence they came, fell back; —but fell All on the Holy One.

But shall we, dare we, join his foes, By lowering our esteem Of him, because he stoop'd so low, Such wretches to redeem?

Nay, rather let us leave the camp, And unto him go forth, Bearing our honour, his reproach, And glory in his worth.

Because the sov'reign judge of worth
Hath put the highest price
On his abasement, and hath made
Him Lord of Paradise.

Deign'd he to come so nigh to us,
As not to count it shame,
To call us brethren? Should we blush
At ought that bears his name?

Nay, let us boast in his reproach,
And glory in his Cross:
When he appears, one smile from him
Will far oe'rpay our loss.

SONG LII.

Hen I, a finner, think on death, It yields me great relief, That Christ endur'd the cross, and died For finners, ev'n the chief. And that he rose and comes again,
Fraught full of life and pow'r,
To raise our bodies, that they may
Corruption see no more.

But I am puzzl'd still to think,
When all its members die,
That this their spirit, separate,
Should either live or be.

Since my foul's life confifts in thought;
How farther can I think,
When all my inftruments of thought
Are utterly extinct?

Fear not, faith Jesus, follow me,
Who past that state before you;
The glory round my body bright,
A cloathing shall restore you.

Your sp'rit departing trust to me,
And to my care commend:
Death's keys I have; and from its sting
I can your soul defend.

When this your house of earth's dissolv'd,
You shall not naked be;
The house eternal in the Heav'ns
Shall cover you with me.

Abundant entrance I'll give you
Into my kingdom bles'd,
There present to abide with me,
Of heavenly house posses'd,

And how the Planets bright

A being claim among the orbs

That minister the light.

Do they not shine, by dwelling in The bright the living rays, Which that refulgent orb, the Sun, Thro' all the world displays.

So you by me, the fount of light,
The Sun of Righteoufness,
As leffer lights, with borrow'd rays,
Shall shine in holiness.

Our body's absence is no loss:

For, faith his faithful word,

Far happier shall we be, supply'd

By presence with the Lord.

Our mortal shall be cloath'd upon
With immortality;
Mortality is swallow'd up
Of life eternally.

And in due time, when loos'd from death,
Our bodies also shall
Within these mansions, near the Lord,
Reside thro' ages all,

When in this house, then let us groan,
With Christ far best to stay;
That if we live or if we die,
The Lord's we may be ay.

FINIS.



